

Amendment 1: Driver Solidarity and Resource Center

Sponsor: CM Sawant

Background: Resolution 31914 outlines eligible uses for the funds generated by the Transportation Network Company tax. This amendment adds the Driver Solidarity and Resource Center as an eligible use, describes the services provided by the Driver Solidarity and Resource Center, and states Council's intent to update the Spending Plan for this purpose by September 1, 2020 with funding for the Center to begin in 2021.

Notes:

Double underlines indicate new language proposed to be added.

~~Double strikethroughs~~ indicate language proposed to be removed.

Amendment

Add a new Section 2 to Resolution 31914 as follows:

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Section 2. It is Council's intent that in 2020, Council shall modify the Spending Plan described in Section 1 of this Resolution 31914 to expand the Driver Resolution Center into a Driver Solidarity and Resource Center. In a Driver Solidarity and Resource Center, drivers can come together to advocate collectively for their rights within the transportation network company industry, and to find services including:

A. Advocacy, legal support, training, and community organizing to challenge driver deactivation;

B. Membership meeting space for driver advocacy organizations and collective driver advocacy;

C. Multilingual workshops and trainings on transportation network company policies and customer service;

D. Tax and financial training;

E. Voter registration and voter rights training;

F. Immigration and naturalization assistance;

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G. Driver family assistance and support services;

H. Counseling and mental healthcare, suicide prevention services; and

I. English language training and education.

In 2020, the Office of Labor Standards shall convene a stakeholder group of drivers and driver representatives including, but not limited to, representatives and members of the App-Based Drivers Association, affiliated with Teamsters Local 117, and the Seattle Rideshare Drivers Association to make recommendations for the funding and operation of a Driver Resource and Solidarity Center by June 1, 2020. These recommendations will inform the Office of Labor Standards' contract with a Driver Resolution Center, as described in SMC 14.32.060, updating the Spending Plan, and 2021 appropriations for the expanded Center.

Re-number remaining sections as appropriate.